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Joey Cardiel.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
  
Plaintiff,  
  
v.  
  
JOEY CARDIEL,  
  
Defendant.

No. 1:22-CR-00041-TLN-BAM

MOTION TO TERMINATE CJA  
APPOINTMENT OF ERIC V. KERSTEN  
AS ATTORNEY OF RECORD AND  
ORDER

On November 18, 2022, Defendant Joey Cardiel. was indicted on federal charges. CJA Panel Attorney Eric V. Kersten was appointed as trial counsel to represent Mr. Cardiel on January 27, 2025 in his criminal case. Mr. Cardiel was sentenced pursuant to a plea agreement on April 7, 2025. The time for filing a direct appeal was April 25, 2025. No direct appeal was filed. Mr. Cardiel was in custody at sentencing. The trial phase of Mr. Cardiel's criminal case has, therefore, come to an end. Having completed his representation of Mr. Cardiel, CJA attorney Eric V. Kersten now moves to terminate his appointment under the Criminal Justice Act.

Should Mr. Cardiel require further legal assistance he has been advised to contact the Office of the Federal Defender for the Eastern District of California by mail at 2300 Tulare Street,

Suite 330, Fresno, CA 93721, or by phone at (559) 487-5561 (collect) or (855) 656-4360 (toll-free), which, if appropriate, will arrange for the re-appointment of counsel to assist him/her.

Dated: June 23, 2025

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Eric V. Kersten

ERIC V. KERSTEN  
Attorney for Defendant  
Joey Cardiel

### ORDER


Having reviewed the notice and found that attorney Eric V. Kersten has completed the services for which he was appointed, the Court hereby grants attorney Kersten's request for leave to withdraw as defense counsel in this matter. Should Defendant seek further legal assistance, Defendant is advised to contact the Office of the Federal Defender for the Eastern District of California at 2300 Tulare Street, Suite 330, Fresno, CA 93721. The phone number for the office is (559) 487-5561 (collect) or (855) 656-4360 (toll-free). If appropriate, the office will arrange for the reappointment of counsel to assist Defendant.

The Clerk of Court is directed to serve a copy of this order on Defendant Joey Cardiel at the following address and to update the docket to reflect Defendant's pro se status and contact information.

JOEY CARDIEL, Reg No. 54885-048  
FCI Victorville Medium II  
FEDERAL CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION  
SATELLITE CAMP  
P.O. BOX 5300  
ADELANTO, CA 92301

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Dated: June 23, 2025

  
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Troy L. Nunley

Chief United States District Judge